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Re: DuPont Chambers Works  
Deepwater, New Jersey  
EPA ID No.: NJD 002 385 730

Dear Mr. Boettler:

Pursuant to the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 2 is required to establish a baseline of operating and closed treatment, storage and disposal facilities regulated under Subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), as amended by the Hazardous and Solid Waste Amendments (HSWA). As you know, your facility is currently one of 1,714 facilities nationwide on the 2005 RCRA GPRA corrective action baseline. This is to inform you that your facility will remain in the GPRA RCRA corrective action baseline for 2008, which becomes effective October 1, 2005. We are now providing notification to you because the list will soon be made available to the public.

EPA will remain as lead for corrective action at your facility and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) will continue to provide technical support. EPA will also be responsible for tracking progress with regard to remediation and/or compliance monitoring for determining the effectiveness of the chosen remedies or stabilization measures (hereinafter referred to as the "GPRA RCRA corrective action baseline" or "baseline"), and for reporting this progress to the public.

EPA developed two "environmental indicators" to measure the success of cleanup efforts on the 2005 baseline. Those indicators are verifying that (1) current human exposures are controlled and (2) that there is no further migration of contaminated groundwater. EPA's goals for measuring progress under the 2005 GPRA baseline are as follows. For human health protection, by the year 2005, 95% of these RCRA facilities have current human exposures controlled. For groundwater protection, by the year 2005, 70% of these facilities have migration of contaminated groundwater under control.

For facilities on the 2008 baseline, these two environmental indicators will continue to be used for measuring success. The goal for the human health protection indicator remains at 95%. This is because EPA and the States have designated over 1900 high priority facilities nationwide for the 2008 baseline, which is an increase on the order of 200 facilities nationwide from the 2005 baseline. The goal for the groundwater protection indicator has been increased to 80%.

Additionally, for facilities on the 2008 RCRA GPRA corrective action baseline, EPA has established two additional measures for tracking progress. These measures are (1) the state or EPA formally selects a remedy(ies) for the entire facility for all media, designed to meet RCRA corrective action long-term goals; i.e., achieve long-term protection of human health, the environment, and groundwater, and (2) the state or EPA acknowledges that the facility has completed construction of said remedy(ies) for the entire facility for all media. EPA's goals for measuring progress under GPRA for these two additional measures are as follows. For the remedy selection measure, by the year 2008, the state or EPA will have made this determination for 30% of the facilities on the 2008 baseline. For the construction completed measure, by the year 2008, the state or EPA will have made this determination for 20% of the facilities on the 2008 baseline.

EPA will be working with NJDEP to assist your facility in meeting or maintaining positive determinations for each of these four measures of progress. Should you have any questions about the 2008 baseline, please contact Mr. Andrew Park, of my staff, at 212-637-4184.

Sincerely yours,

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